

REMARKS

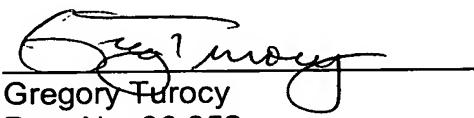
Claims 15-34 are pending in the application upon entry of the amendments and new claims. Essentially, the new claims are similar to the claims in the Article 34 Amendment filed during the International Phase of the corresponding PCT application, except that the claims have been amended to delete multiple dependencies. Favorable examination in light of the amendments and new claims is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone interview would be helpful to expedite favorable prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

In the event any fees are due in connection with the filing of this document, the Commissioner is authorized to charge those fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1063.

Respectfully submitted,

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